## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace page 9, lines 14-21 with the following paragraph rewritten in amendment format:

According to this embodiment, the evaporator 4 is arranged downstream of the heater 5, and substantially horizontally, so that air supplied to the evaporator 4 passes through the evaporator 4 from an upper side of the air conditioning unit to a lower side thereof. In this arrangement, the evaporator 4 and the heater 5 are arranged in a shape of a V protruded toward the vehicle front in such a manner as to surround <u>or encircle</u> the blower 2. <u>A partition plate 21 separates the heater 5 from the evaporator 4.</u>